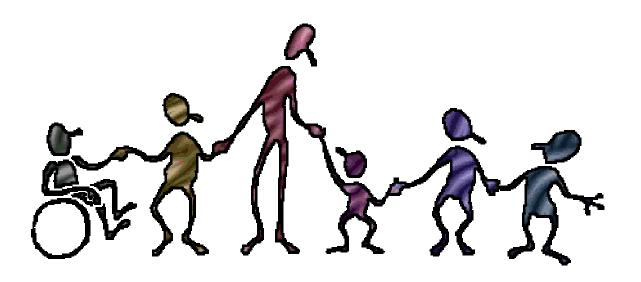
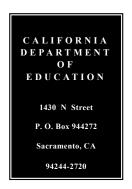
# Adapted Physical Education Guidelines

# In California Schools



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## **Preface**

have always recognized the importance of physical education as a lifelong learning skill. It is a program that builds confidence, promotes social skills, develops motor skills and leads to a healthy lifestyle. However, some students with disabilities may require adapted physical education in order to benefit from a quality physical education program.

I appreciate the collaboration and support of the CAHPERD State Council on Adapted Physical Education and the work of the committee that resulted in this document. The Adapted **Physical** Education Guidelines includes standards excellence in regards to: credentials, curriculum and best practices. The intent of this document is to provide a resource for ensuring a quality physical education program for the children within your school community.

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### **Notice**

The guidance presented in this publication is not binding on local educational agencies or other entities. Except for the statutes, regulations, and court decisions referenced herein, these guidelines are exemplary, and compliance with them is not mandatory. (See Education Code Section 33308.5.)

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